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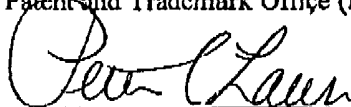
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed April 16, 2004 in the above-identified application. A separate request for a three-month extension of time in which to reply, and the requisite extension fee based on small entity status, are filed concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.